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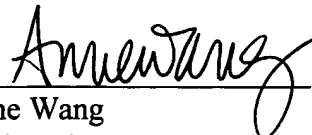
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Sir:

In compliance with 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.56 and 1.97, Applicant submits the enclosed copies of materials that might be deemed material to the examination of the above-identified patent application. For the Examiner's convenience, the materials are identified on the accompanying PTO Form 1449.

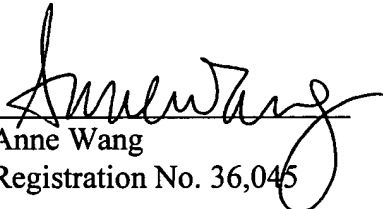
WO 97/08538 A, WO 89/12223 A, EP 0 703 445 A2, and US 5,122,974 A
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PCT/ISA/206 Communication Relating to Results of Partial International Search for PCT
Application No. PCT/US 98/11937 is also included.

Applicant requests the Examiner to consider the enclosed materials during
examination of this application.

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